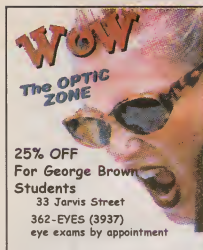


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No Glove: No Love

So St. Valentine's Day is coming are you? Get your fill of love and sex in our yearly feature which usually manages to offend just about everyone. See if we've put you on the list, or even mentioned your name.
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Dialog Collective Constitution Ready for Final Vote

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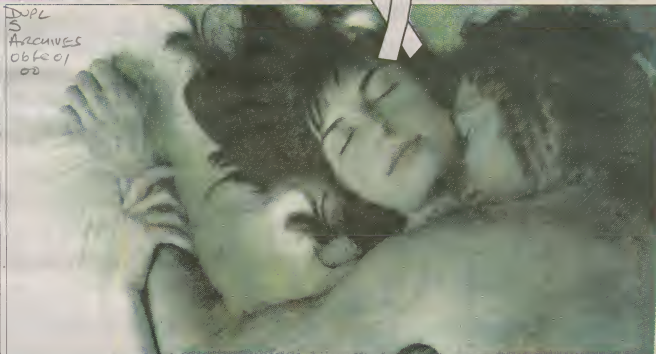
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Our Love Issue

by Allan Stokell, Student Association

Why do we give chocolate and flowers on February 14th? The martyr, St. Valentine actually had little to do with cupids and hearts. This issue we explore the relationship between love and sex.

Sera Gordon went out into the hallways of George Brown College (GBC) to see what how students define sex. Her column is on page 10. Edwin Huang, this issues editor has been exploring the historical importance of Valentines Day. You'll be able to read what he has found on page 7.

Love is one of those difficult subjects to approach. Make a claim and you become an expert, be open and honest and you are accused of bragging.

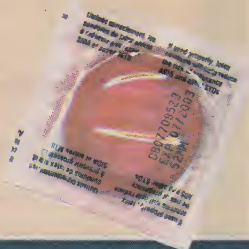
For the thousands of years that we have been on this earth, talk of the sex act has continued to be taboo.

Today we have phone sex, electronic sex, and more. Sex trade workers form associations. We

are open about gay and lesbian relationships. We even are beginning to accept transgendered individuals.

How different it is today than when I was a child. It was illegal to sell condoms, the church would not allow birth control information to be available and abortions were simply not available.

It is our wish that our Love Issue will help foster discussion about love and sex topics.



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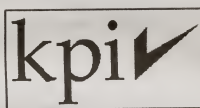
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EDITORIAL

This is My Couch and You are My Psychiatrist

By Edwin Huang

Lately I've been having some tumultuous emotional uprisings within. At first I thought it maybe something I had eaten or perhaps just the anxiousness of the last semester of school and jumping into the foray of my phase of post-George Brownism.

My recent trip to Vancouver was the break I needed to get away and reassess many of the thoughts and plans for the future. I realize now that life and the daily experiences we all go through cannot be taken for granted. Important aspects of life such as friendships, keeping an

open mind, facing fears, and goal setting must always be in our forefront consciousness. I really have been guilty of letting myself become a little too inward thinking in the past little while and I am going to try and change.

During the past week one of my best friends father took seriously ill and was hospitalized. Out of the blue a healthy man's life was in danger. This really makes one think of mortality, not only of ones self, but of those loved ones around you. Life really is a precious commodity. The time we have here on earth really is minute in the whole grand scheme of things. Every moment we waste is gone, forever. I hope I am

not being too heavy in writing these thoughts down for all to see. If you know me, you'll know that I'm not exactly an "all work and no play kind of guy". (Allen can attest to that...) And by no means am I intimating that one should be serious and productive 24/7, it just that I personally feel I've got to tip the scales and make a conscious effort to strike more of a balance. It's all about the balance.

So, Valentine's Day is right around the corner. A time to show the one you love how much you care about them. This issue of the Dialog is our love issue. Our way of reminding everyone "Love is In The Air". For all that may not have a partner at this time

don't fret! You still have time-about two weeks to go. Maybe that cute guy/girl next to you in your first period class is available for a date...come on just ask him/her! Tell them Ed sent you. What do you have to lose but an awkward remainder of the semester? (Just kidding!) Remember life is too short to spend it alone...although I've heard of these devices that.

Take care and keep it real...

Edwin Huang
Lates.

COMMENTARY

The Many Faces of Diversity

by Allan Stokell,
Student Association

It's 4:30 in the wee hours of Tuesday morning. We are in a hotel in Richmond BC and instead of being snuggled in our beds, we are listening to a debate on the constitution of the Canadian University Press (CUP). The plenary session had started at 10:00 the previous morning and it will carried on without a break longer than half an hour until 7:30am the following day. That's a long time to speak only in the archaic language of Roberts Rules.

I had my proxies tucked away, and was prepared to defend the interests of the Ontario newspapers I represent through my position as Ontario Representative on the Board of Directors of Campus Plus (C+), a wholly owned subsidiary of CUP.

I was told that Final Plenaries often run long. This one ran more than 22 hours. The busy agenda had some invisible time bombs. Few of the delegates realized that it would take almost three hours to discuss motions concerning *agent* magazine, which is inserted in this issue of *Dialog*. Imagine what would have happened if the Magazine Commission who brought the motions to the floor had considered putting together a business plan. I seemed to have a great deal of difficulty making plenary delegates realize that often their motions dealing with C+ business matters had little financial sense. They created a huge list of companies they

wanted *agent* to boycott advertising. You will see from the winter issue, this magazine already suffers from not enough advertising. I was predicting to anyone who would listen, that unless CUP member papers stop interfering, *agent* will have ceased publication before next years conference. How long will CUP allow *agent* to bleed red ink before they pull the plug? It's not that I'm anti-*agent*, I'm even a contributor to this issue. I am however against the fuzzy thinking and lack of planning that has brought us to the position we are in today.

As you will be able to read in other places in this issue, five Dialog Collective members managed to fund raise enough to get to Vancouver (well almost Van, we are stuck in a hotel in Richmond). Last year was the first time we sent a delegate to the national CUP conference. Alda Kang, one of last years editors returned to report that the Winnipeg conference was very political. Her warning did not prepare us for the realities of CUP.

First thing that seems strange to the eye is that with the exception of a few papers, CUP delegates do not seem to reflect the diverse, multi-cultural heritage that I see all around me. Not only was almost everyone white, but the power figures at this conference were all twenty-something males.

With barely a nod to diversity, CUP seems to be blindly entering the twenty first century with a nineteenth century vision. Somewhere along the way the white boys have let their

girlfriends into the club. This is a real middle class comfort club complete with secret chants, dances and agendas. First time delegates are shut out of decision making positions in the club by errors of omission. Unless you know that seats on the all-powerful commissions are given out on the day before most delegates arrive, you might as well stay home and watch the Super Bowl.

Diversity has many faces. Almost every delegate to this conference is a journalist. Newspapers need business, design and press people too.

Why is it that they are shut out of key power positions in CUP too?

I always look on the bright side. This convention gives us a chance to evaluate CUP and see at what level we will continue our participation. It also gives us an idea what next years conference in Ottawa will be like.

I would like an even larger delegation from the student press who are really concerned about diversity and wish to make some positive change.

I'm posting this story on the CUP listserve, so the Collective can get some feedback from other papers.

From my experience at the conference, misunderstanding is something the White Boys Club does very well.

College Response to Students

The Big V

I am writing in response to an article that was published in the Dialog dated January 19-February 2nd entitled "Access Denied". We are concerned by some of the statements in the article that characterized the changes we have been making in the Disability Services Office as a lack of concern for students with disabilities. In fact, the opposite is true. The changes that we have been making will make our service more responsive and accessible to students with disabilities.

During the first year that the Disability Services Office was in operation (1988), we served 70 students. Since that time this number has steadily increased and we are now serving over 700 students each year. Although levels of service have increased exponentially, there has been no corresponding change in the way that service is delivered. With the anticipated increase in enrolment due to the double cohort in 2002-2003, we know that service demand will continue to grow and as a result, we in the Disability Services Office are reviewing the way that service is delivered and are making accommodations ourselves to

meet this increasing demand for service.

The author of the article in last month's Dialog stated that she has been working hard to reverse the changes that have been made. We would suggest that because of the increasing enrolment, the changes we have been initiating are long overdue. The consequences of doing nothing now will have a drastic impact on the students with disabilities who will be coming to College over the next couple of years.

With the changes we are making, students with disabilities will have more options for initiating contact with our service. Traditionally educational institutions have offered programming and services in a format that requires students to adjust and accommodate to the schedules and structures of the institution. Our new direction takes the opposite approach and we are asking our staff and structures to accommodate to the needs of our students.

Our primary focus and goal is to provide service and support to students with disabilities and this has guided the changes we have

implemented. As part of this new direction, the Disability Services Office will be partnering with other service providers at the college for example, the Student Association, Lifeworks Centre, and the college's Open Access Computer Learning Centres where technical assistance for students with disabilities will be provided on-site by our technician. This will provide greater access not only in terms of location but in terms of hours of operation.

Contrary to the comments made in last month's article about the changes reflecting our lack of concern for students with disabilities, the driving force of these changes is our concern for students with disabilities. The staffing model that was implemented in 1988 when we first began is outdated and clearly this is an opportunity to rethink and restructure our service provision relationship. The service model that we are developing, the partnerships we are forging, our more productive use of technology, and our anticipated ability to provide services at the students' location will enhance students' ability to access needed support

services in locations and times more suitable to their schedules.

The concern raised in last month's Dialog focused on our re-negotiation of two support staff (the intake officer and the technician). The changes we are currently initiating involve the services provided by these two staff. The location of their desks becomes irrelevant with the implementation of the new model of delivery because students will not need to physically meet these staff at their desks (as they did in the past) to access service. Our Disability Services consultants have not been relocated and remain in accessible locations at the main campuses:

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Judi Linton	Past Chair, Disability Services
Judy Lopes	Present Chair, Disability Services

Maribelle Bacod

Heading to Vancouver, sitting near the window seat of an airplane coming off the route from Toronto, you can see the daunting, unimaginably vast wilderness and mountains. A vision of this breathtaking place unfolds like a lotus beneath you. In my own opinion, Vancouver is a place that has a combination of nature and city that makes it beautiful. Even though sightseeing wasn't a number one priority, our reason to go to Vancouver was to represent 'The George Brown College Newspaper, 'The Dialog Collective' in the CUP Conference, also to participate in full day seminars. If you don't know what CUP is, it stands for the 'The Canadian University Press'. It is a national student press cooperative that assists student papers in writing about their campuses, their communities and their issues, conferences and news exchange. Even though it may have been a while since I've been out of two hundred participants, our crowd stood out with Multiculturalism. We had one each of Chinese, Filipino and Jamaican as well as two European Canadians. Participating in this conference has been somewhat an interesting experience, considering I've never been to one before.

Four long days has come out to be a memory of discussions of heavy politics in PLENARIES and COMMISSIONS, discussions of reconstructing and making new policies and issues of bringing up something very important, DIVERSITY. In our community, in regard to students, it's our goal to support and foster a campus environment that promotes the appreciation and celebration of the diversity of the student body, and insure all student equal access to a full measure of the benefit of membership in the College community.

In conclusion, Vancouver was great, but it's too bad that we didn't get to see much of the beautiful scenery of nature and mountains (only by plane), except for the busy life in downtown at night. I wouldn't complain about the food, it was cheap. In fact, as my friends and I were passing by the Pizza store, a pizza slice would only cost 88 cents...not only that, the air was clean and smelled fresh. Hopefully, one day if I have the chance to go there again, I would like to see more of Vancouver's roots, next time it'll be for pleasure, not business.

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Five of the most influential people in black history

by Uchechi Chuta

Source: The McGill Daily (McGill University)

MONTREAL(CUP) – Below is a list of five people who have had a profound effect on black history.

Wole Soyinka

The first African Nobel Laureate in Literature. He has also been a central figure in the politics of his home country, Nigeria. In 1967, the Eastern region of Nigeria unilaterally declared itself a country and formed the now defunct Republic of Biafra.

During this trying period of Nigeria's history, Soyinka visited the leader of Biafra, Colonel Odumegwu Ojukwu, to negotiate and avoid war. Unsuccessful, he returned to Nigeria and was subsequently arrested and jailed for being a Biafran spy. While in jail, he wrote a memoir called, "The Man Died" which was widely given praise and acclaim worldwide. In 1970, the war ended leaving 3 million Biafrans dead.

The annulment of the 1993 democratic elections transformed Soyinka into a full-time pro-democracy activist. Soyinka was wanted by the military junta in Nigeria, forcing him to flee into self-exile. But being abroad did not silence his voice. He canvassed world leaders to pressure the Nigerian government to accept democracy.

Soyinka has always defined himself as an Africanist. He has extensively studied the metaphysical systems and the philosophical ideas of African society. His literary works and thoughts are based on his understanding of his Yoruba culture.

Jesus Christ

The name of Jesus has been used to justify wars, slavery and colonialism – all of which have claimed lives and freedom.

Christianity served as an ideological rationale for European's colonizing crusades into Africa, Asia and the Americas.

Jesus Christ's philosophy was not behind the evil atrocities that perpetuate his name. He preached pure love, regardless of race or ethnicity. He never advocated violence or wished harm to any people. "Peace I leave with you," Jesus said, "not as the world gives, do I give to you."

Malcolm X

Malcolm X was one of the most influential civil right activists in America in the 1960s and is considered to be the architect of Black Nationalism.

He was instrumental in the growth of the Nation of Islam, the second-most popular religion of blacks in the United States.

Malcolm X's most famous quote "By any means necessary" has been interpreted in several ways to justify various forms of protest. Many black youths at some point in their lives have directly identified with Malcolm X's message and tried to enact his philosophy of

Black Power.

Violence as a means of ending violence is one way of understanding the complex and constantly changing beliefs of Malcolm X.

Nelson Mandela

One of the most popular political prisoners of the 20th century, Nelson Mandela was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in 1993. He was imprisoned for over 28 years for standing up to apartheid.

Mandela, along with other members of the African National Congress, fought South Africa's systemic racist government by discouraging foreign investment in the country and by creating social instability. Shortly after, Mandela was arrested and sentenced to life imprisonment on drummed up charges of sabotage.

"I have fought against white domination, and I have fought against black domination," he said before his sentence. "I have cherished the ideal of a democratic and free society in which all persons live together in harmony and with equal opportunities.

It is an ideal, which I hope to live for and to achieve. But if needs be, it is an ideal for which I am prepared to die."

It was the dream of liberty that carried him on in prison. In the 1980s, he rejected Prime Minister P.W. Botha's offer of freedom if he renounced violence, though shortly after his release in February 1990, Mandela and his delegation agreed to the suspension of armed struggle.

His hard work was rewarded when he became the first democratically elected president of South Africa in May 1994. He retired from public life in 1999.

Bob Marley

Bob Marley was a man who preached unity and peace in his songs. He was often accused of singing love songs and glorifications of "ganja," also known as marijuana. He told his listeners that all his words in his songs, which often addressed issues of unity and freedom, had a meaning.

Marley popularized reggae and put it on the world map of music. His album *Exodus* was declared the album of the century by the December 1999, issue of *Time* magazine. His greatest achievement was when he headlined the Zimbabwean, formerly Rhodesia, independence celebration in 1980.

Marley was a Rastafarian and he obeyed his call to the letter. When he injured his toe playing soccer, and it turned out to be cancerous, he refused to amputate the toe because it went against his beliefs. The cancer spread and resulted in his death at the young age of 36.

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Sports

Huskies Ranked Number One in Country

A message to all of the colleges of the country: there can be only one #1, and that is George Brown!!!!

The Huskies basketball team has solidified their sole possession as the #1 team in the country by capturing the crown in their own annual college tournament and defeating some respectable foes such as Centennial and Durham in the last couple of weeks. This is not an easy feat, since Humber College, who have won the Ontario championships 7 times in the last 10 years, are in hot pursuit of the Huskies in the number 2 spot in the rankings. It's the first time in 25 years that a team from George Brown has been ranked this high, and equally as long since the men's basketball team has won the national title. The ranking process is largely political, arbitrarily ranking teams at the beginning of the season based on last year's performance. But as the season progresses, each team establishes their ranking by assessing several criteria: number of wins/loss ratio, calibre of opponents, and

difficulty of league schedule. The Huskies meet all of these criteria to fulfil the number 1 ranking by knocking off the defending champion Humber Hawks in their home gym on November 1st, and consequently remaining



undefeated until now. Most recently the Huskies have won their host tournament on January 5 & 6 against a tough and tumble Fanshawe Falcon team, who also are ranked in the nation at 14th. This was the first time in 25 years that George Brown has won their own tournament, and proved most gratifying for the players. This win was perhaps most crucial thus far, boosting the team's status in wins and establishing themselves as a force in the league. Subsequent wins against much improved teams such as Centennial and Durham in the tough Central Division (which include Humber) also cater to being top dog in the country. What is more remarkable to the Huskies ranking is the road that led up to number 1. The team has undergone several roster changes, at times playing undermanned against opponents gunning for George Brown. Since the new year began in January, the team has played 2 games with only 6 players on the roster and yet still finding the heart to pull off the wins. There are many

reasons why the roster fluctuates: concentration on academics, personal issues, and conflicts in scheduling. Regardless of who is on the roster for any particular game, the team is cohesive enough to play through adversity. Dion Horsford, the leading scorer in the Central Division, stresses guts and determination to be key in winning. "I am a soldier," he calmly states, "I just do the work for the team." With a dwindled roster, there is much heart on this team, perhaps led by 2nd year forward Wayne Willis. An ideal role player, Willis has stepped up into the starting lineup averaging 15 points per game and grabbing key rebounds. At a diminutive 6'0 power forward position, Willis has enough heart to make the difference in close games. He hits clutch shots and does the little things that takes teams to championships. Albert Da Silva, the coordinator for the men's basketball team, also commends Willis in his recent performance. "Willis makes those little things count in a game", he adds, "he boxes out, dives for balls, and moves well without the ball". It is one thing to get to number one, but another to stay at the top. The tides turn, and all teams begin gunning for you. For the Huskies, the rest of the season schedule is far from a cake walk. George Brown have a tough 2 weeks ahead of them, playing 3 teams ranked in the top 10 such as Humber, Sheridan, and Algonquin. Humber will be especially tough, since they are looking to avenge the 91-83 loss at the redclax campus in early November. This will be the true test for the Huskies, if they manage to win all the games in the next couple of weeks, then they can finally set their sights to the National Championships in March.

Go Huskies Go.

The Canadian College Athletic Association National Basketball Rankings (as of Jan 22)

1. George Brown Huskies Ontario
2. Humber Hawks Ontario
3. Cariboo Sun Demons British Columbia
4. Algonquin Thunder Ontario
5. Fraser Valley Cascades British Columbia
6. Douglas Royals British Columbia
7. Grant McEwan Griffins Alberta
8. SAIT Trojans Alberta
9. St. Thomas Tommies Nova Scotia
10. Montmorency Nomades Quebec
11. Langara Falcons British Columbia
12. Dawson Blues Quebec
13. Mt. St. Vincent Mystics New Brunswick
14. Fanshawe Falcons Ontario
15. Augusta Vikings Alberta

Raymond Morgan wins the 3



point shootout!!!

Ray Morgan of the George Brown Huskies Basketball team captured the 3-point shootout contest crown on Saturday, Jan 20 at Fanshawe College in London Ontario. Pitted against 12 other shooters from rival colleges, Morgan coolly advanced through the rounds of elimination to the finals, where he demoralized the sharpshooter from Redeemer College 15 points to 9. He also was in the first ever 2 ball event, in which he teamed with Lydia Abankwah of the women's team to score as many points possible within a period of time. They ranked a respectable 4th among 12 colleges. It was the first for George Brown to ever win such a contest in the all star festivities which included a slam dunk competition, a 2 ball team shooting event, and the men's and women's all star games. Other representatives from George Brown were: Rob McKinnon Slam Dunk contest Lydia Abankwah 3 point shootout and 2 ball event Anna Russell and Erin Maclean Women's All Star game Dion Horsford and Bojan Catic Men's All Star game



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Events@GBC

Events at George Brown? Well, yes! I would like to take this opportunity to inform the student body of all the events the Student Association has had, and will have during the 2001 winter semester. We started with the Winter Carnival on January 16th at St. James, 17th at Casa Loma and the 18th at Nightingale. Not bad at all! At all three campuses, we had different attractions such as comedians Joanne Downey and Adam Grove, who made us laugh and had a good time. We also had various fun games like food-making contests, pool tournaments and above all a super-duper dance contest at Nightingale. I have to say that it was the most successful of all the contests we had. Way to

go Nightingale! The smallest campus of all is yet the funniest and loudest of all. We could not forget the music, an important part in every party. We had a guess DJ Albert, who played sensational music. In summary, we are having FUN, and we would like you to be part of all of these events that the Student Association is organizing for you, to entertain you and make you have a good "break" between classes. Constantly check the Student Association board to find out what is up and if you have any suggestions, do not hesitate to tell us. My name is David. Helen, my team-mate and myself, will be there to hear them all. Please call us at 416-415-2900 XT: 89422 or 89423. I will see you there, wherever

the next event is.

ENJOY GEORGE BROWN COLLEGE

Upcoming Events

07 February @ Casa Loma
Student Lounge
African Heritage Pub - Honour Your Roots
- Join us for food, music and fun in celebration of Black Heritage Month

14 February @ St. James Pub
(The Zone)
Valentine's Day - Lovin' Love
- Welcome to the Love Shack, get your Love Potion here.

26 February @ Casa Loma
Midday Meet N Eat - Black Culture & Community
- A lunchtime discussion. T.B.A.

Getting a Heart-On Over Valentine's Day

Eileen Over

Well here we are again, Valentine's Day is fast approaching. Valentine's Day in our present time is pretty much another one of those over-commercialized holidays. In the past it had much more significance. I'd like to share some of the interesting facts related to the origins of this day.

The History of Valentine's Day:

In Rome in AD 270, Valentine had enraged the mad emperor Claudius II, who had issued an edict forbidding marriage. Claudius felt that married men made poor soldiers, because they would not want to leave their families for battle. The empire needed soldiers, so Claudius abolished marriage. Valentine, bishop of Interamna, invited young couples to come to him secret, where he joined them in the sacrament of matrimony. Claudius learned of this 'friend of lovers', and had the bishop brought to the palace. The emperor, impressed with the young priest's dignity and conviction, attempted to convert him, but he refused. He was then sentenced to execution. Valentine refused to renounce Christianity and boldly attempted to convert the emperor. On February 24, 270, Valentine was executed.

Jack is a George Brown College student. He reports that he has experienced SHOS several

gift of clothing from a young man. If she keeps the gift, it means she will marry him.

In the middle Ages, young men and women would wear these names on their sleeves for one week. To wear your heart on your sleeve, now means that it is easy for other people to know how you are feeling.

Some people used to believe that if a woman saw a robin flying overhead on Valentine's Day, it meant she would marry a sailor. If she saw a sparrow, she would marry a poor man and be very happy. If she saw a goldfinch, she would marry a millionaire.

15% of U.S. women send themselves flowers on Valentine's Day.

Cupid is a figure from Roman Mythology, believed to use magical arrows to inspire feelings of love.

Ancient Romans believe that birds mated on February 14th.

Over 90% of Valentine's Day flowers are purchased by men.

I hope everyone has a great Valentine's Day! I hope you find that person of your dreams, if your looking that is!

Guys don't blow it, the action or non-action on February the 14th could be a make it or break it occasion. You could end up in the dog house for a long time if you are not careful...don't eat too many bon-bons. Until next time, see you later!

Just a reminder that February is African Heritage Month...Keep your eyes open for events around George Brown Campus

I was moaning, holding my crotch and grunting uncontrollably. I was really embarrassed.

times since he arrived at GBC. "The first time was when the elevator stopped suddenly," he reports, "That quick jerking movement of the elevator caused me to cum in my pants. One second I was on my way to the second floor, and the next I was moaning, holding my crotch and grunting uncontrollably. I was really embarrassed."

Researchers suggest it is the embarrassment factor that is the main reason so few victims report SHOS episodes.

University of Regina researcher Hans Fitz also says his study of SHOS shows that since victims are rarely injured during their orgasms, and the overall experience is usually quite enjoyable to the victim, very little research money is allotted to investigate this phenomena.

He does however report that often middle age males are mis-diagnosed as having a heart attack. "Just think about it. A 50-ish businessman is checking out of a hotel. Suddenly the desk clerk observes his face has gone bright red, he collapses on the floor, writhes in apparent pain while his muscles involuntarily go rigid and he is experiences verbal inappropriateness."

There is apparently no cure for SHOS, nor is there a regime of drugs to alleviate the symptoms.

Fitz suggests victims, especially those exhibiting symptoms of more than one involuntary orgasm a month should consider releasing the build up of sexual tension in their body.

"I believe most SHOS victims would have their symptoms relieved if they either have regular intercourse or masturbate often," he states. "My study has shown that subjects having regular and persistent sexual activity reports that their SHOS symptoms disappear."

"Let's face it, if you are having orgasms in inappropriate places, your body is telling you something."

Did you know...

In Wales, wooden love spoons were carved and given as gifts on February 14. Hearts, keys, and keyholes were favourite decorations on the spoons. The decorations meant, "You unlock my heart!".

In some countries, a young women may receive a

bag,
boney bag,
glad bag, tool bag,
body stretcher,
bone harpoon,
candy wrapper,
canoe, concum,
condominium,
coosie catcher,
diving bell, dome,
french tickler,
green letter,
love, love clown,
jiminy, jean jacket,
lie jacket, lie eater,
hard hat, party hat,
party pack,
pearl pack,
headliner, Johnny,
muffin, muzzle,
plumber's helper,
prophylaxis,
protection,
reaper, rubber
rubber boot,
rubber sock,
rubber Johnny,
rider duck,
slotted, sack,
saw, shawit,
saw, shawit,
skin, orifice milk, squealer,
stopper, tube,
sawit...

No condom, no sex

K-Sera-Sera

by Sera Gordon,
Renegade &
Dialog Collective
Writer

February, the month of LOVE! Cupid seems to be everywhere. On TV, at the mall, and at all of the retail stores around town. Do you have a valentine? I do, and I have a few questions that I would like answered. Is love for my valentine measured by how much \$\$ I spend on my valentine?

GEZ Louise this is beginning to remind me of Christmas. I would imagine that I am a difficult

Valentine to "shop" (key word) for. I am not really into flowers (disclaimer they smell nice, and they do appease the eye) as I think that they are metaphorical. THEY DIE!

And chocolate rots my teeth (BRAIN) What am I to think? That my love for my Valentine will rot first and then die?.....

(metaphorically speaking of course) So what else is there? A tight hug and a deep kiss? HAHAHAHAHA

That reminds me of something else altogether... if you know what I mean... Well tops off and while we are at it let's just take everything else off...haha.. to St Valentine, and all the people who work in retail, or for Hallmark.

HAPPY VALENTINES DAY Mr Phil

is that sappy enough for Valentines Day? Maybe I should add some extra syrup. I am definitely not one for outward sentimental value. Usually I keep it all locked up inside.

And admittedly so I have to tell you that I think it is time to watch peoples reaction when they realize that I am sentimental.

Generally the response goes like this. A dirty smirk, because they think I am joking (I am always joking), then a thought of disbelief. (here their frowns usually lightens up) and get ready

for the poker face...I think be now they usually feel sorry me because they imagine how misunderstand my life is.

(I don't worry it is not misunderstand, to know me is to love me!) And then they try to reach out and touch me.

So I think that we should try to make this the month to REACH OUT AND TOUCH SOMEONE!! OR SOMETHING!!

OK
OK
OK

On to the goods..... GOSSIP that I know to be currently TRUE...hahah You tell me!

- Fred Drummond and I get our hair cut @ the same place.....

- G107 has been cancelled and that was always the case, which is why they amalgamated the 3 programs. As we all know it is easier to get rid of 1 problem (oops did I say program) then it is to get rid of 3 problems

-Students in Toronto are MUCH more outgoing then students else where in Canada...AHHEM

-22 hours of planetary is enough to drive anyone crazy!

-Can I CUP could have been way better organized

-Can I CUP will be held in Ottawa next year!

-Can I CUP will be held in Toronto in year 2003

W H words..... (or a better way to talk about people without them knowing!)

- What is he thinking?
- Where is her head?
- When will they know ---

- What is really going on here?
- Woncha wonder what I am talking about?

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In Focus

What is your definition of SEX?
'not everybody does it, but everybody should'



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Candice
'Carnal
'Instincts'
'Exchange of
intense
emotions'



Alan Stokell
Enjoy it, don't
hurt anyone
and be very
careful:
Always use a
condom



Jackie &
Melissa
'EXOTIC'
'Naked bums
in the buff'



Josh Hardiker
like Moe Berg
said 'sex is
either dirty
or boring'



Kevin King
I don't have
the time to
tell you



Ahmed
Sex is a way
of life



Stacey
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Sex is
enjoyment!



ED
Candles, Barry
White, 500ml
of honey, &
a nicotine patch
(trying to quit)

I Can't See The Forest for the Trees...

By Edwin Huang

We're Back!

Did you miss us? (Umm... did you know we'd even left?)

From January 25th to the 30th my colleagues and I attended the annual CUP conference in

RICHMOND, British Columbia. (Ed-About a \$20 cab-ride from downtown Vancouver...so I've heard...but I digress).

The purpose of this conference was to meet with our colleagues,

student journalists, from around the country to share ideas, attend seminars by leaders in various media and the journalism community, develop policies and procedures for final plenary (ed. Please don't say that word around me! Ask me for a non-formal definition), establish networks among other papers, and to drink beer and stuff exactly in this order. Seriously though, I am greater for this opportunity I have been afforded by the Dialog Collective and I cannot thank enough all who had a part in helping our little paper get to the conference. (Ed. "DIALOG. REPRESENT. REPRESENT!" yells out while doing "Who Let The Dogs Out Wiggle".)

The conference was something different, for many of us, our first. I can sincerely and honestly report back that George Brown College and the Dialog Collective can hold our own anywhere in the country; and I'm not talking about drinking neither...although... Remembering the fact that our school does not have a journalism program and for the

most part we do this for the love of journalism and letting the dogs out, we have some of the best content, diversity, and representation of community issues among the lot. TOOT-TOOT!

What I'll remember about the CUP Conference-Ten Top: In no particular order

- * The Nuggets.
- * Panelists from the Independent Media Centre speaking about Seattle N30
- * Meeting new friends/students from across Canada and the USA.
- * \$6 small packs of smokes-remember the midnight panic Sera?
- * Nardwaar the Human Serviette-if you don't know, you should...a riot!
- * News design slide presentation from SND
- * Seeing my long lost BC buds-Nuno and Sean...Party on dudes and Lisa and Preet also is always nice to see you guys and sad to leave youze guys. You know you guys are and always be my SOLID friends. P.S. You really think I've got horseshoes

up my butt, eh?

* That three-way meeting on Sunday morning with Allen and Sera. In respect to confidentiality (and to protect the innocent) that's all I can say about that. Allen, you really are a cool and understanding chap and you truly will always mean the world to us!

* Dan Savage-witty but kind of a potty mouth. Funny guy.

* Bonding with my colleagues at the Dialog...it will never be the same now will it.

I hope we can process all that we have drank, I mean learned at the CUP conference and in the next few months, you the reader notice some improvements in the paper. Remember we always are receptive to comments, suggestions, and submissions. We don't bite! (Well not too hard anyways and only when asked...).

Until next time bye-bye! Ps. Anyone interested in going FTAA in Quebec during April...let's talk! The behemoth that is the FTAA can be stopped!

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Members Write Dialog Constitution

by Allan Stokell,
Student Association

Back in February of 2000, members of the Dialog Collective, publishers of Dialog got together to re-draft their by-laws and constitution. More than a year of consultation has gone in to this document. We invite all members of our community to come to our meeting at noon on February 8, 2001 to discuss the final draft and make changes before it is acclaimed by membership.

Constitution of the Dialog Collective

Preamble
This constitution is the body of rules and by-laws governing the Dialog Collective, publishers of the student community newspaper of George Brown College (GBC). It shall provide a permanent structure for facilitation of communications between the members of the George Brown College Student Association, the Dialog Collective and the staff of George Brown College. To ensure the existence of a free, open and democratically run student community press it shall ensure accountability of the student financed publications and guarantee a fully free, open and democratically run student press. The constitution of the Dialog Collective shall be made available to any person upon request.

Statement of Purpose and Principal

The Dialog Collective publishes the student funded, student-run newspaper of George Brown College. The principles of the Dialog Collective provide an opportunity for all GBC students to advance their concerns within an atmosphere of safety, knowledge and respect. To provide a forum to disseminate information to members of the student community of George Brown College and to advance a progressive understanding within the college community and beyond.

To provide for educational and plastic exchange of ideas and events which concern our students.

To achieve these objectives, the Dialog Collective will be guided by the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms, the Ontario Human Rights Act as well as the George Brown College Policies Electing Students and the policies and by laws of the Student Association of George Brown College (SA). The Dialog Collective subscribes to the mission statement of the SA.

Responsibilities

A good community newspaper strives to be fair, accurate, honest, responsible and a reliable independent voice. It should strive to reflect and advocate for the community it serves. The Dialog will strongly defend the students right to know. Dialog should guard against inaccuracies, carelessness, bias, distortion, omissions or technological manipulation.

Letter Policy of the Dialog Collective

The Dialog will publish all letters submitted by the authors name and student number. Names and numbers will be withheld upon request and with permission of the Collective. Letters will not be printed if the ad hoc Editorial Board judges them to be racist, sexist, ageist, homophobic or otherwise defamatory or libelous. Letters are subject to editing.

Veto

The Collective can refuse to publish any article, graphic, photograph, image that it may consider libelous. Content that is considered by the editor(s) or Collective to be offensive shall be screened by a legal counsel for libel, defamation or contravention of Canada's hate propaganda or obscenity laws.

The Dialog Collective accepts full and complete responsibility for its editorial decisions.

Eligibility

Membership in the Dialog

Collective is open to all members of our college community including full part time and continuing education students, alumni and other members of our student community who desire a simple vote of the Collective.

Application for Membership members must have done one or more of the following to continue membership.

made contributions (written or graphic), or assisted with the production in the last 6 months, be familiar with the Constitution of the Dialog Collective, be an employee of the Student Association of George Brown College

Review and Withdrawal of Membership

Collective members may lose their status if they are proved to exert a disruptive influence on the Collective, production of the paper or any other democratic function of the Collective.

Disruptive shall be defined as violence, sexism, racism, homophobia, agism or other discriminatory behavior. In the event that a member is to have membership withdrawn, all active members of the Collective will provide written details of the acts of misconduct to members of the Collective at a meeting. The accused member facing expulsion shall have an opportunity to speak at this meeting.

Those to expel a member shall be carried with a two-thirds majority of attending members. Members may choose other democratic actions to deal with members including loss of membership rights and censure. The Communications Manager will be responsible for all full and part time staff, as well as placement, coop and intern students. The Communications Manager will also be responsible for training, evaluation and discipline of these staff members.

Collective Voting

The Dialog Collective member may vote at all Collective meetings. Binding decisions may be reached by a simple majority. Votes may be taken by secret ballot when deemed necessary by one or more Collective members. Voting by proxy is allowed at each meeting. Each member of the Dialog may vote no more than two proxy votes. The chair of the meeting must be notified in writing of the proxies held.

Meetings

Meetings shall be held regularly during school semesters. Dates and times shall be chosen by Collective members. Each member of the Collective will be notified by e-mail within five days of the next meeting. Guests and College staff members are welcome to attend meetings. All members of the College community may have full speaking rights at all Collective meetings. When deemed necessary by a simple vote, the Collective may move "in camera" with in camera sessions only members of the collective may attend. A quorum shall be a minimum of three Collective member.

Minutes
Minutes of all Collective meetings shall be made available to any member of the College community. A reasonable period of time shall be allowed for past minutes to be produced. Minutes shall be taken by Collective members on a rotating basis. Minutes will not be taken during in camera sessions.

Editorial Policy

The Collective should strive to be impartial with the issues. The Collective will not publish any letter, story or illustration which attempts to incite violence or hatred against individuals or groups based on race, religion, national origin, ethnicity, colour, gender, sexual orientation or identification, age or disability.

Where ever possible opinion pieces should be clearly identified as opinion or commentary.

If possible the full Editorial policy should be printed on the editorial board and the Dialog newspaper.

The Collective invites members of the community to give input on our Editorial Policy. Those wishing to speak at a meeting about Editorial Policy shall make written application five days before the next Collective meeting. No volunteer, employee or contributor should submit stories concerning the College for review, change or correction by a College employee. Submissions should be original and unique. No writer or contributor shall plagiarize words or images.

Sources should be noted when possible. When the Internet is used for research, the URLs of web pages should be provided as part of the submission and where possible the editor should include web sources at the end of stories. The Dialog should not run any other democratic function of the Collective.

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Community Standards

As a rule there are better ways to express one's feelings to use a potentially explosive situation or circumstances it is acceptable to use obscenities when quoting someone or as part of opinion or commentary when it is not used as an ad hominem attack.

Correction Policy

When the Dialog Collective is informed of an error in an edition of Dialog, the next issue will include corrected information and an apology for the error. Every effort will be made to present corrections with equal or greater placement than the original story.

Identity of Writer

Reporters and columnists should clearly identify themselves for legal and ethical reasons.

Writers

Contributing under aliases prior to September 02, 2000 will be allowed to continue using their aliases as long as they continue to contribute. All new writers after September 02, 2000 will use their names. Nom de plumes will be allowed under certain circumstances. Members of minorities, or other groups that might open them to threats or other safety issues may request that their name is not used or be changed.

Conflict of Interest

Contributors who hold public office (ie Student Association elected positions) should disclose their position with an appropriate line. Writers who are participating in the judicial process should avoid making public commentary about cases. Staff members should not circulate petitions or attend demonstrations when it might appear to conflict with the doing their Dialog Collective work.

Advertising Policy

The Collective reserves the right not to publish any advertising deemed to be inappropriate. The complete Advertising Policy should be published on the masthead of each issue. All advertising copy should first be

given to the Marketing Coordinator. Should the Marketing Coordinator have concerns about visuals or copy they shall bring the matter to the attention of the ad hoc editorial board. The Ad Hoc Editorial Board is made up of members of the Collective attending the meeting. Members of the College community are encouraged to come to speak on advertising policy. They should make written application at least 5 working days before a Collective meeting.

Boycott List

The Dialog Collective shall not maintain a boycott list but shall review, advertising content on a case by case basis.

Letters

All published letters should be signed. Letter writers may request that their names be withheld.

Letters may not include comments and/or letters contents. The only time it is appropriate for the editor to include comment is when letters are for information to improve clarity for the reader. It is not appropriate for letter writers to continue arguing verbal battles in the letters column over several issues of the paper.

Hiring

The Collective will maintain up to date descriptions for all positions. Each available position should be advertised in the Dialog newspaper at least one week prior to the meeting of the Hiring Committee.

All persons accepting wages or honoraria shall be enrolled in at least one George Brown College course or be alumni of GBC. Wages and honoraria shall be set at a meeting of the Dialog Collective.

A Hiring Committee shall be struck once each year to review the job description and resumes and portfolios of applicants and choose a successful candidate. The Hiring Committee shall be made up of three full members of the Collective. Positions become available at other times, the Communications Manager shall find and hire employees in a timely manner.

Resignations

Members wishing to resign their position must submit their resignation in writing to the Communications Manager with a copy going to the Dialog Collective. Employees who do not attend three consecutive meetings without offering regrets and submitting reports where necessary will be

assumed to have abandoned their position.

Evaluations

Each Dialog Collective employee shall be evaluated once each semester. Those placement, coop or intern students shall be evaluated using the forms provided by their school supervisors. All others will use our standard evaluation tool.

Dismissal of Paid Employees, Placement, Coop and Intern Students

Staff members not adhering to the Dialog code of safety, respect and knowledge shall be subject to disciplinary action. Members who continue to be disruptive or disrespectful shall be given the opportunity to resign. Employees found to be acting in a dishonest or criminal manner can be summarily dismissed by the Communications Manager.

Memberships

The Dialog Collective is currently a member of the Canadian University Press. From time to time the Collective membership will informally review the membership status.

Conferences

The budget of the Collective shall include amounts satisfactory to send one member to the annual conference of the Canadian University Press. Further, the Collective may wish to send more than one member to the conference. If that is the case, the Collective shall strike a committee to make a budget and plan possible fund raising activities. The Committee shall be formed no later than November of each year and shall plan for the conference that is usually held the last week of January. It shall report to each meeting of the Collective until delegates leave for the conference.

Morale

The Collective shall maintain copies of back issues of the Dialog. One hundred copies shall be saved. The Dialog Committee shall be made up of three full members of the Collective. Positions become available at other times, the Communications Manager shall find and hire employees in a timely manner.

To CUP and to local advertisers. At the end of the publishing year, members of the Collective are deemed to be 20% which will be properly marked and put into long term storage. Elsewhere, files shall be archived on CDs or a similar inexpensive storage system.

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200 King Street East, Room 165B
Toronto, Ontario
M5A 3W8
Fax Number: 416-415-2846

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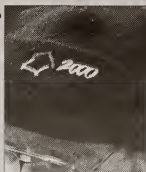
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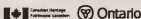
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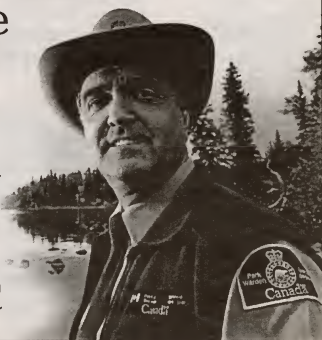
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Lessons Which Make Life Work

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...The oppressor never voluntarily gives freedom to the oppressed. You have to work for it... Freedom is never given to anybody, for the oppressor has you in domination because he plans to keep you there and he never voluntarily gives it up. And that is where the strong resistance comes - privileged classes never give up their privileges without strong resistance.
Martin Luther King, Jr.

Strong resistance.
Over the past few weeks, I've been reading several speeches and sermons of a man who is held in the hearts of many nations as the great leader of the civil rights movement. In passage after passage, he casts this concept of strong resistance. He postulates that freedom is a direct product of strong resistance. The two ideas juxtaposed don't seem to belong in the same sentence let alone be intimately joined to one another, so one may dismiss the whole statement as nonsensical. Let's look at this from a personal perspective. Why do I need to resist? Am I not free? Who are the privileged? Who are the oppressed? Does this have anything to do with me? Why should I care?

I was raised in this country. I have a post secondary education. I have a good job, some would even say an enviable job. I've traveled and seen a bit of the world. I vote. I pay taxes. I have a family, a house, a car...all I'm missing is the big fluffy dog. Based on all these assets, life is going my way so why do I need to resist? What more could I possibly want?

One thing I admire about the late Dr. King is that when he spoke and when he acted on his words, he essentially expressed a commitment to serving in the best interest of all people. When he talked about resistance, he wasn't talking about entering into a war or physical struggle with others. According to the Webster's dictionary, to resist means to oppose actively, to strive against and withstand. The more I read and listen,

the more I realize Dr. King meant to resist discrimination in the purest sense of the word. Apathy, inaction and silence indirectly condone discrimination. Regardless of whom the injustice is impacting, we all have a responsibility to take a stand and resist that oppressive belief and action. When we support one another we



are ultimately supporting ourselves. We are building alliances.

Injustice and prejudice has many faces. Being excluded, set up for failure, accepted as a token or exception, silenced, misrepresented and stereotyped are but a few ways people are demeaned and treated unfairly. Think about it:

When I am asked everyday, "So where are you from?", despite the fact I speak with a Canadian accent, am I wrong in thinking that I am perceived as not belonging here...?

When I am sitting in my office with a big green identification badge slung around my neck and someone enters the space asking me if I could direct him/her to Sharon, the manager, am I wrong in thinking that I am perceived as unworthy or unqualified for this position...?

When I am browsing in an upscale boutique and keep spying the same person over my shoulder watching me as I weave my way through the aisles, am I wrong in thinking that I am perceived as untrustworthy...?

When I mention I have a child and the person casually comments how tough it must be raising her on my own, despite the fact I am working

a wedding band, am I wrong in thinking that I am perceived to be a stereotypical single mother...?

Did I mention I happen to be a black woman?

These are but a few examples. Prejudice is expressed in an array of different ways.

On the flip side, as an educated, employed, fairly settled citizen I realize I have a lot of privilege. I, as most of us do, have many opportunities at my disposal to make a difference in the community. Some ways that we may make a difference are by:

- * Creating and supporting safe spaces
- * Being open and accepting of others
- * Organizing and sharing ideas in diverse groups
- * Being mindful not to misrepresent or speak for others
- * Educating ourselves about other communities and perceptions

It is very easy for me to be complacent. My life is comfortable. However, I realize that my present comfort came on the backs of millions of people who struggled, spoke out and unflinchingly declared that we shall overcome! We as a people are worthy of respect, recognition and freedom. For this reason over all others, I too resist.

Thank you Martin for your wisdom and service. May your spirit burn eternal.

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